

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

**OFFICIAL WARNING**  
**VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

CASE NUMBER:  
**IL160045**

VIOLATOR:  
Settlers Pond Animal Shelter & Sanctuary

Customer# 38808  
License# Unlicensed

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):  
1301 E Offner Road  
Beecher, IL 60401

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed violations of the following sections of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 9:

**Date(s): May 27, 2016 and July 09, 2015**

**§ 2.1(a)(1) - Requirements and application.**

Any person operating or intending to operate as a dealer, exhibitor, or operator of an auction sale, except persons who are exempted from the licensing requirements under paragraph (a)(3) of this section, must have a valid license. A person must be 18 years of age or older to obtain a license. A person seeking a license shall apply on a form which will be furnished by the AC Regional Director in the State in which that person operates or intends to operate. The applicant shall provide the information requested on the application form, including a valid mailing address through which the licensee or applicant can be reached at all times, and a valid premises address where animals, animal facilities, equipment, and records may be inspected for compliance. The applicant shall file the completed application form with the AC Regional Director.

*The above is not intended to be an all-inclusive list. Please know that you are responsible for ensuring that your facility, animals, and property are in compliance with the Animal Welfare regulations. Inspection reports can be found on APHIS' website at:*

*<https://acisearch.aphis.usda.gov/LPASearch/faces/Warning.jspx>.*

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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